

A) GATHERING MANAGEMENT DATA ON INPUTS AND SERVICES FOR FOOD OR FIBER PRODUCTION.

INPUT TYPES: PESTICIDES, INSECTICIDES, FUNGICIDES, HERBICIDES, NEMATICIDES, SOIL AMENDMENTS, NUTRIENTS, SEEDS, PLANT OR LIVESTOCK VARIETIES OR SPECIES, OR A COMBINATION OF INPUTS.

SERVICE TYPES: APPLICATION OF INPUTS; SAMPLING, TESTING OR MONITORING OF WEATHER OR PRODUCTION CONDITIONS, PEST POPULATIONS, SOIL TYPES OR NUTRIENT LEVELS; PRESCRIBED BURNING OF VEGETATION; RECOMMENDING INPUT TYPES, AMOUNTS, OR APPLICATION TIMING OR METHOD; RECOMMENDING OR IMPLEMENTING TILLAGE PRACTICES; RECOMMENDING TIMING OR METHOD OF, OR PERFORMING PRESCRIBED BURNING OR DESTOCKING; OR A COMBINATION OF SERVICES.

B) TRANSMITTING THE GATHERED INFORMATION TO AN INPUT/SERVICES PERFORMANCE DATABASE OR DATABASES.

C) ANALYZING AND STORING THE GATHERED INFORMATION.

D) TRANSMITTING A QUOTE FOR A GUARANTY OR INSURANCE POLICY ON PERFORMANCE, WITH OR WITHOUT A QUOTE FOR INPUTS OR SERVICES.

E) EXECUTING A SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR INPUTS AND/OR SERVICES PROVIDED DIRECTLY OR THROUGH A THIRD PARTY COMPENSATED BY A COMMISSION OR FEE.

F) PROVIDING RELATED INFORMATION.

INFORMATION TYPES: CROP INSURANCE OR OTHER INSURANCE COVERAGE; COST SAVING, COST SHARING, REBATE, SUBSIDY, EMISSIONS TRADE, REGULATORY REQUIREMENT OR PERMIT INFORMATION, FORMS, APPLICATIONS OR EXECUTED APPLICATIONS OR TRADES; OPTIMIZED INPUT OR SERVICE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE USING A DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM; OR A COMBINATION OF INFORMATION TYPES.

G) MONITORING THE STATUS, PROGRESS, YIELD OR QUALITY OF THE PRODUCTION AND PERFORMANCE OF THE INPUTS AND/OR SERVICES REMOTELY OR ON SITE.

H) PROVIDING A MONETARY OR OTHER REMEDY IN THE EVENT OF PERFORMANCE FAILURE.

I) UPDATING THE DATABASE WITH PERFORMANCE DATA.

Figure 1

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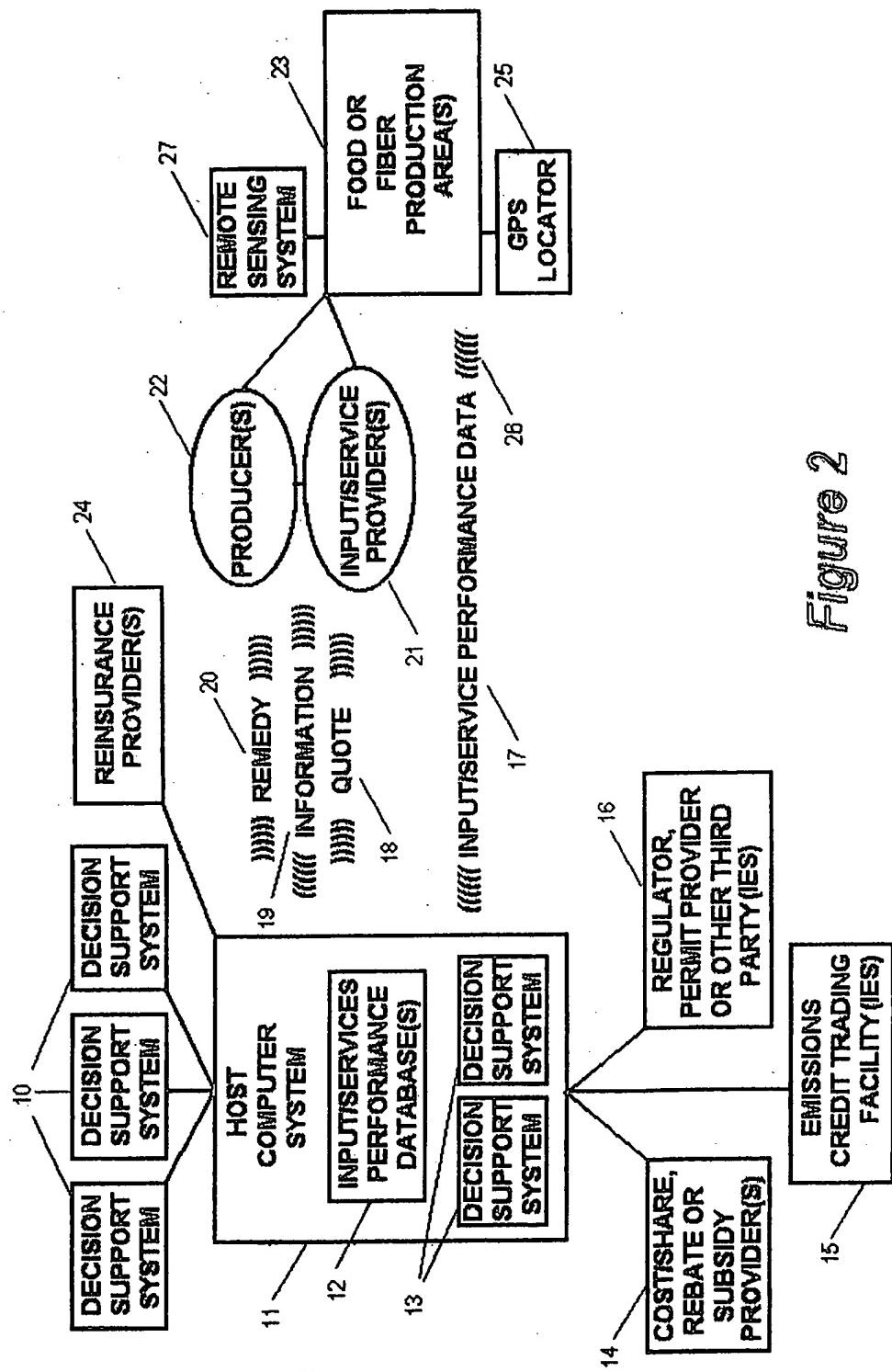


Figure 2